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For: IMPELLER OF CENTRIFUGAL FAN

AND CENTRIFUGAL FAN DISPOSED

WITH THE IMPELLER

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring the attached references to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application. Also attached are a completed PTO-1449 form and a copy of Supplementary European Search Report of the corresponding European Application No. 04 81 9322.1.

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German Patent Publication No. 44 46 110 appears to disclose a cooling fan structure for an AC generator. U.S. Patent No. 5,693,992 is believed to be equivalent of German Patent Publication No.44 46 110. U.S. Patent No. 5,693,992 is cited in this IDS for the Examiner's convenience.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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